

CITY OF BELLEVUE
CITY COUNCIL

Summary Minutes of Extended Study Session

February 25, 2002
6:00 p.m.

Council Conference Room
Bellevue, Washington

PRESENT: Mayor Marshall, Deputy Mayor Degginger, Councilmembers Creighton, Davidson, Lee, Mosher, and Noble

ABSENT: None.

1. Executive Session

Mayor Marshall opened the meeting at 6:00 p.m. and announced recess to executive session for approximately one hour to discuss one item of property acquisition.

At 7:05 p.m., the study session resumed with Mayor Marshall presiding.

2. Oral Communications

- (a) Craig Chang, General Manager of Factoria Square, thanked the Planning Commission and citizens of Bellevue for working together over the past two years. He feels the urban village plan that has been developed for the site will provide an attractive place for people to shop, live, work, and gather. He said the development will not exceed the traffic cap allowed by the Factoria Area Transportation Study (FATS).
- (b) Tony Chan, General Partner of Factoria Square Limited Partnership, San Francisco, thanked City planning staff and the Planning Commission for their hard work on the Factoria proposal. He described his desire to develop a long-term master plan that will enhance and add vitality to the existing retail center by incorporating the urban village mixed-used concept. The plan should be consistent with the goals of the Growth Management Act while providing maximum flexibility for the owner and developer to respond to market and community demands. Mr. Chan asked Council to support and approve the master plan, as amended.
- (c) Tony Schuler, President of the Somerset Community Association, said the current Planning Commission proposal is incomplete, relies on assumptions, and presents risks that could produce adverse consequences. He said the planners are assuming that future

apartment residents on the site will not rely on their cars, but the Association is not convinced that this would be the case. He said the traffic analysis is based on old and incomplete information. Mr. Schuler said the owners recently modified their proposal to include more retail space instead of the urban village concept. He questioned the reluctance to adopt CB (Community Business) zoning and encouraged planning on an area-wide basis. Mr. Schuler speculated that CB zoning implies less development potential than F1, but acknowledged that the proposal does not clearly address this issue. He questioned the assumptions behind the trip counts. Mr. Schuler asked the Planning Commission to look at the whole picture, establish interim zoning if needed, and look into establishing a subarea for Factoria Area Transportation Study analysis.

- (d) Beverly Gagnier, Chairwoman of Seniors on the Move, feels that planning efforts should focus on the larger southwest quadrant of Bellevue rather than just the Factoria Square site. She said widening the streets will not solve the traffic problem and the numerous driveways along Factoria Boulevard present dangers to drivers and pedestrians. She said the State has no firm plans to improve freeway access in the area. Ms. Gagnier said Council's approval of the matter should be postponed until completion of the Factoria Area Transportation Study. She expressed concern regarding the nearby pipeline, proposed building heights, water pollution to Lake Washington, air pollution, unstable soils, and noise.
- (e) Robert Swenson submitted his comments in writing and asserted that the Factoria proposal is based on an expired, legally problematic pre-annexation agreement (PAA). He said the original PAA exempts the Factoria site's development from sensitive area regulations, non-conforming structures, design review, community retail requirements, non-conforming signs, landscaping requirements, and parking requirements. He said the underlying zoning was never subjected to SEPA (State Environmental Policy Act) review. Mr. Swenson said the proposal allows 75-foot building heights, which are otherwise allowed only in the central business district. He feels the matter should be decided in a quasi-judicial context instead of as a legislative zoning determination. He asked Council to remand the issue to the Planning Commission for a comprehensive subarea zoning study.
- (f) Janet Armstrong asked Council to consider instituting a policy regarding zoning, timing, and expiration, particularly with regard to annexation agreements.

3. Study Session

(a) Council New Initiatives

Mr. Lee recognized the passing away of Jane Akita, a dedicated Youth Link volunteer.

Mr. Mosher thanked staff for providing information to Council about immigration trends in Bellevue.

Dr. Davidson requested a written staff report regarding the temporary walkway situation on 140th Avenue.

- (b) Resolution No. 6668 authorizing execution of a labor agreement with Bellevue Police Officers' Guild for the period of January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2003.

City Manager Steve Sarkozy requested Council approval of a labor agreement with Bellevue Police Officers' Guild for the period of January 1, 2001, through December 31, 2003. The negotiated settlement is consistent with Council's policy of providing a wage scale that is comparable to other cities.

- ➡ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve Resolution No. 6668, and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.

Deputy Mayor Degginger said he is pleased that a settlement has been reached, and Dr. Davidson concurred. Mr. Lee complimented the Guild for working cooperatively with staff throughout the negotiations.

- ➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6668 carried by a vote of 7-0.

- (c) Resolution No. 6669 authorizing execution of a Facility Relocation/Modification Agreement with Puget Sound Energy, Inc., to modify, remove, and relocate existing electrical facilities in the estimated amount of \$89,000 to \$102,400 as required for the 112th Avenue NE project between Main Street and NE 4th Street. (CIP Plan No. PW-I-81)

Mr. Sarkozy said Resolution No. 6669 will authorize the execution of an agreement with Puget Sound Energy to modify, remove, and relocate electrical facilities in association with improvements to 112th Avenue NE.

Dave Berg, Transportation Assistant Director for Capital Projects, reminded Council that the 112th Avenue NE project will widen 112th Avenue between Main Street and NE 4th Street and add a traffic signal at NE 2nd Street. The proposed resolution will execute an agreement to reimburse Puget Sound Energy for the relocation of electrical facilities that are in conflict with the 112th Avenue project. Relocation costs are estimated to not exceed \$102,400 and have been included in cost projections previously presented to Council.

- ➡ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to approve Resolution No. 6669, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.

- ➡ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6669 carried by a vote of 7-0.

- (d) Resolution No. 6670 supporting the Performing Arts Center Eastside (PACE) proposal for construction of a performing arts facility.

Mr. Sarkozy recalled previous Council discussions regarding the development of a performing arts center.

Planning and Community Development Director Matt Terry referred Council to the proposed resolution (Page 3-16 of the Council packet) developed pursuant to Council discussion and direction on February 11, 2002. The resolution acknowledges general support for the Performing Arts Center Eastside (PACE) proposal, declares that the City will not undertake any similar performing arts center projects for three years, and expresses Council's willingness to consider a future capital gift.

☛ Mr. Lee moved to approve Resolution No. 6670, amended as follows:

Section 2 – Revise to state that the City will not undertake any similar projects for three years from the effective date of this Resolution.

Section 3 – Revise to state that the City Council declares it may consider a capital gift for this facility.

Referring to Section 2 of the proposed resolution, Deputy Mayor Degginger suggested replacing the word “project” with the word “center.”

Mr. Lee accepted the suggestion as a friendly amendment, and Mr. Degginger seconded the motion.

☛ The motion to approve Resolution No. 6670, as amended, carried by a vote of 7-0.

(e) Factoria Area Land Use Code Amendment

Mr. Terry opened the discussion about Factoria area Land Use Code amendments on which the Planning Commission and staff have been working for the past two years.

Land Use Director Carol Helland noted that the proposed Land Use Code amendments have been the subject of 14 study sessions and two public hearings with the Planning Commission. She explained that the Factoria area was annexed in 1993 in accordance with a zoning ordinance and a pre-annexation zoning agreement. Amendments to existing zoning were prohibited for a period of seven years, which expired in 2000. Three property owners control three land use districts within the annexation area: F1 includes the Factoria Mall property as well as parcels not owned by the mall, F2 includes Factoria Cinema and the Sterling Plaza property, and F3 represents the Bentall Sunset Office complex (previously Vysis Properties) on the hillside east of Loehmann's Plaza. In anticipation of the 2000 expiration, staff began working to develop amendments that would enhance consistency with Bellevue codes.

Ms. Helland said the 1993 Land Use and Annexation Agreement allowed a level of development intensity in F2 and F3 that is not allowed elsewhere outside of the Downtown. It capped F1 retail development at 70,000 square feet and exempted development from concurrency analysis, design review, and sensitive areas regulations. Ms. Helland noted that some limitations on

development expired with the expiration of the pre-annexation agreement. For instance, the cap of 70,000 square feet of retail space in F1 expired with the annexation agreement in 2000, resulting in a retail development potential of 500,000 additional square feet under existing zoning.

In 1999, staff began discussing potential amendments to be implemented upon the expiration of the pre-annexation agreement. The owners of Factoria Square Mall requested a Land Use Code amendment that would support a mixed-use, village-centered development to include residential units as well as expanded office and retail space.

Ms. Helland said staff felt the proposal was consistent with the City's transit-oriented development (TOD) goals and that it should be studied by the Planning Commission. The Planning Commission held a series of eight study sessions in early 2000 and the primary issues and concerns voiced by the public addressed traffic, street classifications, school capacity, building height, and development intensity. Issues of support included the benefit of new housing units and concurrency with Growth Management Act goals.

In the spring of 2001, an initial proposal was developed that included design review guidelines, mixed retail/office/housing, an increased height limit, a trip count cap, complementary use provisions, and amenity apportioning. Ms. Helland said the trip count cap limited the number of trips that could be generated by the development. The complementary use provisions were designed to ensure that the housing and retail components are implemented in a balanced approach.

Following the 2001 public hearing before the Planning Commission, staff concluded that fewer trips were generated by the mixed-use proposal but that public debate over the Factoria proposal could not be resolved without updating the Factoria Area Transportation Study (FATS). Ms. Helland said the City approached the developer and mall owner about sharing the cost of updating the FATS. The mall owner did not want to share in the costs and as an alternative suggested capping the development potential of the F1 site until the City was able to update the study. The mall owner also requested that the City commit to processing a Land Use Code amendment if capacity improvements were identified in the FATS update.

Ms. Helland said the Planning Commission reviewed the mall owner's proposal in September 2001 and then created a Hybrid Proposal with the following elements:

- Implement owner's proposal by limiting development potential in areas IV and V of the mall property.
- Eliminate trip count cap and complementary use provisions.
- Reduce building height for much of the mall site.
- Specify that further development potential beyond the owner's proposal is tied to the completion of the FATS and separate Land Use Code amendment.

Ms. Helland reviewed a table comparing the three zoning alternatives: existing F1 zoning, the owner/developer's initial proposal, and the Planning Commission's Hybrid Proposal. Existing zoning allows 45-foot building heights, or 60-foot heights with under-building parking. The

initial proposal requested 75-foot building heights throughout the site, and the Hybrid Proposal reflects a mix of 45-, 60-, and 75-foot building heights. Office space is allowed under existing zoning and was included in the initial proposal. However, the Hybrid Proposal does not allow office space. Ms. Helland explained that the Hybrid Proposal reflects an overall decrease in the development potential of the mall site and a reduction in the number of allowable trips to be generated by future development. This development potential is similar to what would have been allowed under the pre-annexation agreement, which limited additional retail development to 70,000 square feet. Ms. Helland noted that approximately 30,000 square feet of new retail space was added during the seven years (1993-2000) that the pre-annexation agreement was in effect.

Ms. Helland summarized the Planning Commission's current recommendation (Hybrid Proposal):

- Imposition of development limitations.
- Clarification of allowable height limits.
- Establishment of design district and standards for F1 (Factoria Town Square).
- Requirements for street improvements, enhanced landscaping, and sensitive areas provisions.

Development would occur as follows:

- Area I – Commercial Center renovation and addition of 15,000 square feet of retail.
- Area II – Residential (285 units) and upgraded streets for pedestrian use.
- Area III – Residential (up to 400 units) and 36,100 square feet of retail.
- Area IV – Parking only.
- Area V – Frontage renovation and potentially 20 percent expansion.

Ms. Helland reviewed a table comparing traffic Level of Service measurements along Factoria Boulevard and Coal Creek Parkway under the three alternatives. She noted that the LOS analysis was conducted using the City's former one-hour peak period standard. She described a graphic displaying how a 45-foot building height standard (plus a 15-foot "bonus") would essentially result in the same building height as a 60-foot height standard. The Hybrid Proposal contains a comprehensive set of design guidelines addressing streetscapes, perimeter streets, on-site streets, connectivity, open space and gathering places, landscaping, building character (including pitched roof forms), parking, and exterior lighting and signage.

Ms. Helland clarified that the Hybrid Proposal represents a Land Use Code amendment, not a development proposal or rezone. If the Land Use Code amendment is adopted, any future development on the site will require separate approval of design review, SEPA analysis, Traffic Standards Code analysis, utilities extensions, and building permits. If the City takes no action on the site, the existing development potential will be maintained. No design guidelines are currently imposed on new development, and there are no requirements for pedestrian and transit amenities. Current standards for the site provide greater potential for congestion and fewer incentives for housing.

Following the Planning Commission's last public hearing on this issue late last year, the Commission held two more study sessions and modified the Hybrid Proposal regarding building

setbacks along Factoria Boulevard and SE 38th Street, pitched roof forms, the measurement of building heights from average existing grade, and the timing of pedestrian amenities. In response, the mall owner presented what is now called the Conversion Proposal that allowed some interim development prior to the completion of FATS and the conversion of some residential units to retail space. The conversion was based on the number of trips to be generated by the residential units, with total retail space to be capped at 107,930 square feet.

Ms. Helland said the Planning Commission recommended modifying the Conversion Proposal by requiring the completion of FATS analysis before any new development takes place. If FATS indicates that capacity is available, retail space could be increased up to a total of 150,000 square feet without a Land Use Code amendment. If capacity is not available, the Planning Commission recommends allowing the conversion of some residential units to retail space.

Ms. Helland requested Council direction regarding the Planning Commission's recommendation. The Planning Commission indicated that amendments would be necessary if Council chooses to direct staff to bring back the Conversion Proposal made by the owner. The Planning Commission also would want to hold an additional public hearing if Council pursues the Conversion Proposal option.

Mayor Marshall thanked the Planning Commission for their extensive work on the project and for working to integrate the interests of the owner, developer, and the public.

Marcelle Lynde, Planning Commission Chair, noted the Commission's vision for a mixed-use urban village at the Factoria Square site. She said the biggest opposition to further development relates to concerns about traffic congestion in the Factoria area. She urged Council's consideration of the Commission's recommendation and clarified that pitched roof forms are intended only for the residential buildings in Area II.

Robert Steed, Planning Commissioner, said the Commission considered a number of development options before drafting the current recommendation.

Responding to Mr. Mosher, Ms. Helland said if the Council chooses to take no action, the mall site could be developed with up to 500,000 square feet of retail space. Mr. Mosher noted that the Planning Commission's recommendation includes the development of 51,000 square feet of new retail space and 685 housing units. Mr. Terry added that the recommendation includes a minor redevelopment potential as well. Responding to Mr. Mosher, Mr. Terry said the Conversion Proposal would convert 400 housing units to approximately 56,000 square feet of retail space, based on trip calculations. Mr. Terry said the Planning Commission recommends that the City update the Factoria Area Transportation Study as quickly as feasible. He said the earliest practical date for such an update is the fall of 2003. The original FATS was completed in August 1996.

In response to Dr. Davidson, Mr. Terry said staff and the Planning Commission analyzed a number of alternatives while looking for a viable proposal that would generate the least number of trips.

Responding to Mr. Lee, Ms. Helland confirmed that areas F2 and F3 developed to their full potential between 1993 and 2000, while development of F1 (mall site) was restricted to 70,000 square feet. In further response, Ms. Lynde said residents who testified before the Planning Commission were generally in favor of a mixed-used development although there were many concerns about traffic. Mr. Terry said some speakers were concerned about building height and the perceived visual impact of housing units. Mr. Steed explained how the complementary residential and retail uses would function with the sharing of parking facilities, while strict retail development would generate more trips and potentially more demand for parking.

Responding to Mayor Marshall, Ms. Lynde said the village concept originally came from the developer.

Mr. Creighton noted that some speakers testified they do not want more rental housing in the Factoria area. Ms. Lynde commented that the Commission did not specifically address whether the housing would be sold or rented. Mr. Steed feels residents were more concerned when a greater number of housing units were proposed and less concerned once those numbers were reduced.

In response to Mr. Creighton, Mr. Terry said there are currently no trip caps for the Factoria Square site other than concurrency level of service (LOS) standards.

Deputy Mayor Degginger thanked Planning Commissioners for their many hours of discussing and studying this issue. He questioned whether 285 housing units would be enough to fulfill the village concept. Mr. Terry commented that streetscape and pedestrian amenities will be reduced or eliminated with a reduction in residential units. Mr. Degginger encouraged completion of the FATS update as soon as possible.

Responding to Mr. Lee, Mr. Terry said the developer's schedule indicates that Area II would be the first phase of development, to occur within the next four years. Area III might be developed within the next seven years. Responding to Mr. Noble, Mr. Terry said the developer and owner could choose to modify their proposal at any time.

Mayor Marshall expressed support for the village concept with its proposed open spaces and gathering places. She summarized the three alternatives before the Council: 1) Planning Commission's recommendation (Hybrid Proposal), 2) Conversion Proposal, allowing the conversion of residential units to retail space at a rate that does not exceed the trips anticipated to be generated by the Planning Commission's recommendation, and 3) Modification to allow a maximum of 150,000 square feet of retail space for Area I before a Land Use Code amendment would be necessary, if the FATS update indicates that additional traffic capacity is available. She noted that adoption of either #2 or #3 would involve an additional public hearing by the Planning Commission to consider the impacts of additional square footage.

Mr. Lee expressed support for preserving and enhancing the economic vitality of the community and its shopping centers. He favors the village concept, as evidenced in the attractive center at University Village in Seattle. He feels the developer needs some flexibility in order to ensure the economic vitality of Factoria Square.

Dr. Davidson thanked the Planning Commission for its work. He suggested considering a maximum of 50,000 square feet of new retail space, conditioned on the results of the FATS update, without the need for a Land Use Code amendment. He is in favor of the housing component.

Mr. Creighton thanked Commissioners and residents for their attention to this issue. He is in favor of the village concept and appreciates the property owner's right to develop his property so that it will remain economically viable. Mr. Creighton supports consideration of the modified proposal (#3) including the FATS update, with the Planning Commission to determine an appropriate level of additional retail development.

Deputy Mayor Degginger is concerned that the conversion of residential units to retail space will jeopardize the realization of the village concept. He suggested holding another public hearing to address the proper mix of retail and housing.

Mr. Noble supports the village concept and additional retail development if the FATS update indicates available traffic capacity. He would like the Planning Commission to determine an appropriate level of retail development and the appropriate mix in square feet of housing and retail space.

Mr. Mosher supports the Hybrid Proposal but would be willing to review the issue upon completion of the FATS update. He noted the lengthy process to date and said he is reluctant to consider the developer's recent requests for modifications without more information such as the traffic analysis.

Mayor Marshall supports the Hybrid Proposal which would: 1) implement the owner proposal by limiting development potential in Areas IV and V, 2) eliminate the trip cap count, 3) reduce building height over much of the site, and 4) tie further development potential beyond the owner proposal to completion of the FATS update. If traffic capacity is available upon completion of the FATS update in 2003, Council could consider a Land Use Code amendment at that time. She feels this provides optimal flexibility for the developer and property owner.

Dr. Davidson clarified his suggestion that the City not pursue a Land Use Code amendment and that further retail development be capped at 50,000 square feet. Mr. Degginger would like additional information regarding the anticipated impact of the Conversion Proposal and associated tradeoffs. Mr. Noble agreed with Dr. Davidson that the Land Use Code amendment process is lengthy and expensive. Mr. Lee noted that actual development of the site will be based on economic realities.

Mayor Marshall summarized Council consensus to: 1) support the Planning Commission's Hybrid Proposal, and 2) direct the Planning Commission to hold a public hearing to take additional testimony on whether, after the FATS update is complete and if additional traffic capacity appears to exist, the Commission would recommend some additional limited amount of retail space to be added to the mall without the requirement of a Land Use Code amendment. Councilmembers did not reach consensus on an amount of additional retail square footage they

might consider. The value of establishing an upper limit/threshold for retail development at which a Land Use Code amendment would be required is the potential for avoiding the lengthy and expensive Land Use Code amendment process. Council supports the village concept and the housing component.

At 9:26 p.m., Mayor Marshall declared a break. The meeting resumed at 9:34 p.m.

(f) Regional Issues

Diane Carlson, Regional Issues Manager, announced that the Puget Sound Regional Council's General Assembly meeting will be held on March 21, at which time PSRC will ask member jurisdictions to approve its Supplemental Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Years 2002-2003. The Supplemental Budget represents an increase over the Biennial Budget adopted in March 2001 due to the receipt of federal grant funds and does not include the membership dues increase of three percent originally anticipated in the Biennial Budget.

- Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to select Mayor Marshall to cast Bellevue's vote at the Puget Sound Regional Council General Assembly meeting, and Mr. Creighton seconded the motion.
- The motion to select Mayor Marshall to cast Bellevue's vote at the PSRC General Assembly meeting carried by a vote of 7-0.
- Mr. Mosher moved to vote in favor of PSRC's Supplemental Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Years 2002-2003, and Mr. Noble seconded the motion.
- The motion to support PSRC's Supplemental Budget and Work Program for Fiscal Years 2002-2003 carried by a vote of 7-0.

Damon Diessner, Utilities Assistant Director, reviewed the King County Final 2001 Comprehensive Solid Waste Management Plan. The 20-year plan for managing garbage and recycling services addresses transfer and disposal, coordinated regional planning, compliance with State planning requirements and goals, waste reduction and recycling, financial forecasts, and construction, demolition and land-clearing activities. Mr. Diessner said this planning effort was conducted pursuant to an Interlocal Agreement between King County and cities that was implemented in July 1988 and extends through June 2028. King County requests adoption of the 2001 plan by March 31, 2002, which is 120 days following publication of the final plan. The last step will be approval by Washington State Department of Ecology.

Mr. Diessner explained that the plan will be approved for all suburban cities that are parties to the Solid Waste Interlocal Agreement if the plan is adopted by cities representing 75 percent of the total population of the cities that act on the plan by March 31. Council action is scheduled for March 18 and Bellevue can choose to approve the plan, reject the plan, or take no action on the plan. Cities that take no action will still be bound by the plan, if approved. Mr. Diessner noted Council's position in the May 18, 1998, interest statement that the City be a customer

rather than a partner with King County. He said King County would like cities to become partners and this topic will be discussed further later in the spring.

Mr. Diessner said Bellevue's Environmental Service Commission recommended approval of the Final 2001 Plan by a vote of 6-0 at its February 7, 2002, meeting. The Commission expressed concern about the Factoria Transfer Station and whether this is the best economical use of the site as land values have increased significantly in recent years. City staff will continue to work with King County to explore alternative siting of the Factoria Transfer Station. Mr. Diessner said staff currently recommends Council approval of the Final 2001 Plan. However, if staff's analysis results in a recommendation for alternative siting of Factoria Transfer Station, staff's recommendation could be changed to one of no action since approval of the Final 2001 Plan implies agreement with the current Factoria Transfer Station location.

Responding to Mr. Lee, Mr. Diessner said City staff discussed Council's interest in "managed competition" with King County. Mr. Diessner said the subject was explored by King County but discussions were stalled primarily due to concerns by the County's bargaining units. In further response, Mr. Diessner said King County identified potential sites for relocating Factoria Transfer Station some time ago.

Responding to Dr. Davidson, Mr. Diessner said the details of King County's proposed partnership with cities have not been worked out. However, the County has talked about establishing a work group in which cities would have some type of voting power. Dr. Davidson requested a staff report, including details of the permit, regarding King County's Factoria Transfer Station project.

Deputy Mayor Degginger asked about the status of salmon returns in Kelsey Creek. Kit Paulsen, Stream Scientist, said returns were good in 1999 after the City opened up a blockage that was restricting access to the stream. Staff is currently working to measure stray rates for the creek.

Moving on to the State Legislative Agenda, Mike Doubleday distributed and reviewed a document comparing the House, Senate, and Governor's transportation package proposals.

➡ Deputy Mayor Degginger moved to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m., and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to extend the meeting to 10:30 p.m. carried by a vote of 7-0.

Mr. Doubleday said the House Democrats' revenue package is expected to move from the House Transportation Committee to the full House by Friday. In response to Mr. Creighton, Mr. Doubleday acknowledged that the package does not provide much funding for the Puget Sound region.

Ms. Carlson said it looks like there will not be a water bill by the end of the legislative session. Staff will provide a full report to Council upon completion of the session.

Turning to proposed legislation on city revenue authority and the B&O (Business and Occupation) tax, Mr. Doubleday said the House passed the Governor/Department of Revenue's bill (ESHB 2658).

Mr. Carlson said the Growth Management Act timeline extension bill (SSB 5841) passed the Senate and has been forwarded to the House. Both King County utility tax bills have died. A bill to provide funding for low income housing (SHB 2060) is still alive and has been forwarded to the Senate. Mayor Marshall and Deputy Mayor Degginger expressed concern about the high costs associated with the low income housing bill. Mr. Doubleday commented that he does not expect approval of the bill.

Ms. Carlson said both the House bill (SHB 2541) and the Senate bill (SSB 6393) regarding the contracting of jail services by cities through interlocal agreements have moved out of their respective houses.

Moving on, Ms. Carlson asked Council to approve forwarding the 2002 Federal Legislative Agenda to Council's Consent Calendar for adoption.

➡ Mr. Noble moved to direct staff to place the 2002 Federal Legislative Agenda on Council's March 4 Consent Calendar for approval, and Mr. Lee seconded the motion.

➡ The motion to direct staff to place the 2002 Federal Legislative Agenda on Council's March 4 Consent Calendar for approval carried by a vote of 7-0.

Mr. Mosher congratulated Deputy Mayor Degginger on his election as President of Cascade Water Alliance.

At 10:18 p.m., Mayor Marshall declared the meeting adjourned.

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